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Commissioner for Patents
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AMENDMENT "A"

Sir,

In response to the Official Office Action mailed October 15, 2003,
Applicants respond as follows:



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CERTIFICATE OF MAILING

Sir,

The undersigned hereby certifies that the attached **AMENDMENT "A"**, was mailed to the Commissioner for Patents, Alexandria, VA, with sufficient first-class postage, no special handling, on December 3, 2003, before 5:00 PM, thereby ensuring that such document(s) will be in the hands of the U.S. Postal Service by the close of business this day. Thus, timely response has been made to the outstanding Office Action prior to expiration of the shortened statutory period for the same ending **December 15, 2003**.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which might be required or credit any overpayment of fees with regard to the attached document(s) to Account No. **08-3150**.

Respectfully submitted,

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